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For: Use of IL-12 and IL-12 Antagonists )  
in the Treatment of Autoimmune )  
Diseases )

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**SECOND PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT**

Prior to the examination of this application, please enter the following  
amendments and consider the remarks.

**Amendments to the claims** are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on  
page 2 of this paper. Remarks follow the listing of the claims on page 5.

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